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SQUARE ENIX.

人の上述する――――自己の指定
その眼に実記される4点 その眼に 視される1点。
彼らの予兆かもみ出すのは 溶体極よりも辛い。
感覚の中をぬれども ぬれども。
一筋の光すら まだ見当たらない――

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最後まで読んでくださった皆様に感謝を。
今回もたくさんの方々、関係の皆様にお力添えをいただきました。
そして、この本を手に取ってくださった皆様に御礼申し上げます。

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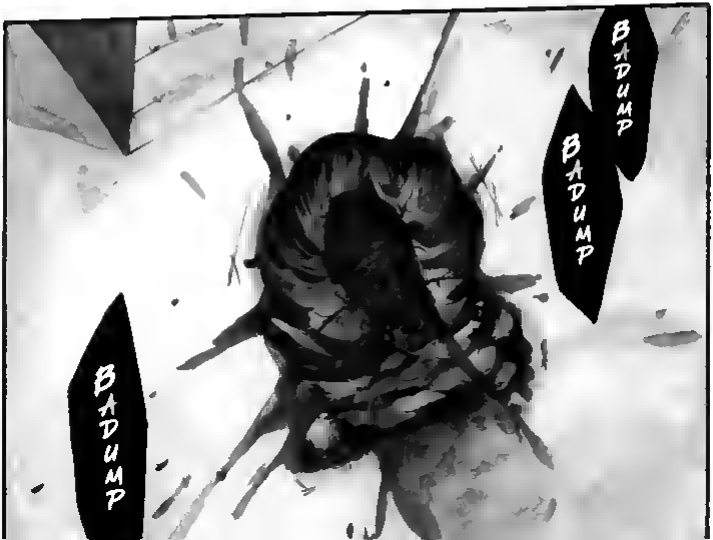
...HOW BOR-ING.
SO THE HERO OF CLASS 1 IS NOTHING BUT A SHRIMP TOO?
HMM.
BUT...
WHAT'S THIS?
BADUMP
BADUMP
BADUM
BADUMP
BADUMP
WHY IS THIS STILL BEATING?
HOW DISGUST-ING...

SFX: Splat



# Chapter 11: Revenge

NAME: ROKUDOU MOMIJI.
DEATH CONFIRMED.
Total students: 64
Deceased students: 1
Surviving students: 63

OK
LET'S LOAD HIM.
LIFT
NO EXTERNAL DAMAGES
SIGNS OF INTERNAL BLEEDING
ZIP
GUSU
A MISSING HEART
Ugu...
ROKUDOU-KUN...
HM...AS FOR THE DETAILS OF THE CAUSE OF DEATH, AN AUTOPSY IS NEEDED END
IT'S DONE

Tam
ROKU-DOU-KUN...
THUNK
Vroom
NO...
WAIT...
WAIT...!
ROKU-DOU-KUN...!!
Vroom

RO KU- DOU- KUN !!!!
ROKU- DOU...
...KUN.

HEY
HONESTLY, IT'S LOOKING BAD FOR US TOO, YOU KNOW? WHAT SHOULD WE DO NOW .
WHY WOULD ANYONE KILL A FELLOW STUDENT? DAMN I DON'T UNDERSTAND
...MISO?
HEY!!
SAN-JUU-ROU?
SHIP

Hinata-sama
The main gate where? Let's get it.
HEY!!
THE OLD WOMAN IS THERE RIGHT!? PUT HER ON RIGHT NOW!
I'VE HAD IT WITH ALL YOUR EXCUSES!
GET ON RIGHT NOW, HAG!
YOU HEARD IT RIGHT!!!? HOW MANY PEOPLE DO YOU THINK SACRIFICED THEIR LIVES BECAUSE OF THAT CRAZY FUCKER!?
ANSWER ME RIGHT NOW YOU SHITTY HAG!!!

SFX: Flash
WHO'S THE HAG?
I'LL KILL YOU, YOU FOOL...!!!

I'M SURE YOU KNOW THE BASICS
WHAT?
...DO IT.
BOW
I HAVE WAITED ONEE SAMA
GOD
THAT'S A BIG CHANGE

TCH
I'M SURE YOU KNOW THE BASICS, BUT—
WAIT. BESIDES THAT, IF YOU'RE THERE DON'T IGNORE ME!
I JUST GOT BACK
Thunk
AND
I SAW THE REPORT
"TOMONAGA IZURU"'S DISPOSAL, RIGHT?
EXACTLY! WHAT THE HELL IS GOING TO HAPPEN!?
Management Officer Hourai Tooko
The person in charge of managing Naraka High School.
And also Hinata's sister.

IT'S CURRENTLY UNDER DEBATE
WHAT!? WHAT ARE YOU DILLY-DALLYING FOR!?
THERE'S A LIMIT TO YOUR COWARDICE, YOU KNOW!?
AT LEAST HAND OVER HIS INFORMATION THEN!
AH, OK OK.
4 MEMBER FAMILY.
BOTH HIS PARENTS ARE ALIVE AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP DOESN'T SEEM TOO BAD
THEN YOU CAN FORCE A REQUEST ON THEM AND
MAKE THEM YOUR HOSTAGE.
AND THEN I'M SURE YOU CAN DO SOMETHING ONCE YOU MAKE THEM YOUR SHIELD!
YOU KNOW... THAT'S ILLEGAL
ILLEGAL?

SMACK
ISN'T THIS THE EPITOME OF ILLEGALITY!?
THEN WHAT IS THIS PLACE!?
.. CALM DOWN
YOU'RE MAKING A FOOL OF YOURSELF.
I HEARD.
THAT YOUR ROOMMATE WAS DONE IN.
... YEAH.
RIGHT BEFORE MY EYES.
YOU MUST BE FUCKING JOKING!!

AH?
HOW IS THEIR RELATION-SHIP?
DOES IT LOOK LIKE WE CAN USE IT AS HIS WEAK POINT?
I'M GOING TO CON-TINUE
HMM .. AND HE HAS AN OLDER BROTHER.
Click
AH.
NO.
HE'S ALREADY DECEASED.
WITHOUT A DOUBT, I AM GOING TO MAKE HIM TAKE FULL RESPONSI-BILITY.
FOR SURE.

DAMN..
THEN THERE WAS NO POINT.
...OVER THERE.
WHAT ...?
DID HIS BROTHER COME HERE?
ANE-KI?
.....
YEAH.
IT LOOKS LIKE HE LOST HIS LIFE DURING THE BLIGHT. WANT TO SEE THE PICTURE?

Beep
Tomonaga
Satoshi
...IT SEEMS LIKE THE YOUNGER BROTHER GOT THE GOOD LOOKS IN THE FAMILY
THAT'S NOT IMPORTANT...
NO, THAT CAN'T BE.
WELL...
RIGHT?
RIGHT. BECAUSE THE BODIES ARE NOT SENT BACK TO THE FAMILY.
OF COURSE, THERE'S NO ANNOUNCEMENT OF DEATH EITHER
EH... MEANING...
TOMONAGA IS TAKING REVENGE FOR THE DEATH OF HIS BROTHER!?
REVENGE, HUH...

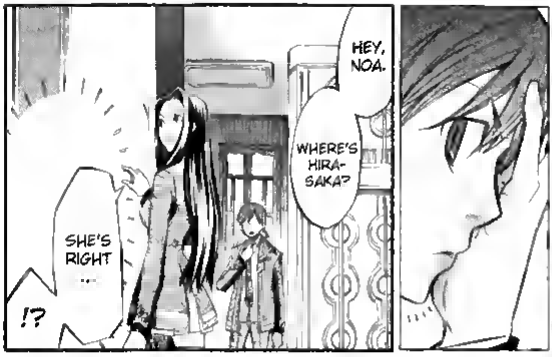
Um..I'm sorry but there were some circumstances that well
This is your son
KYAAAA
YOU
EH.
SERIOUSLY?
I shouldn't have asked
AH
IF YOU SAY IT LIKE THAT
IF YOU THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO GET YOUR OWN TOMBSTONE, YOU'RE MISTAKEN
HOW WOULD IT LOOK IF THEY SENT BACK A BODY WITH NO ARMS OR A HEAD?
SO A PERSON WHO HAS THE ABILITY TO TRANSFORM, LIKE ROKUDOU, IS ASSIGNED TO THE FAMILY OF THE DECEASED AND TAKES THEIR PLACE
IN A WAY...
EVERYTHING STAYS THE SAME, THEY'RE JUST UNAWARE OF THE PRESENT CONDITIONS
HEY.
AT THIS RATE, WE'RE IN DANGER TOO.
ANE-KI. PLEASE... HELP US.
THERE WERE NO OTHER AMIABLE RELATIONSHIPS.
IT LOOKS LIKE HE HARDLY WENT TO SCHOOL.
.....

...OK.
I'LL PREPARE A VETERAN WHO CAN CANCEL TOMONAGA'S ABILITY.

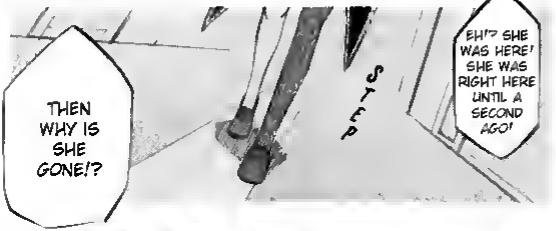
WELL...
AT THE SOONEST, IN ABOUT 10 DAYS.
WHEN?
WHEN CAN THEY COME!?

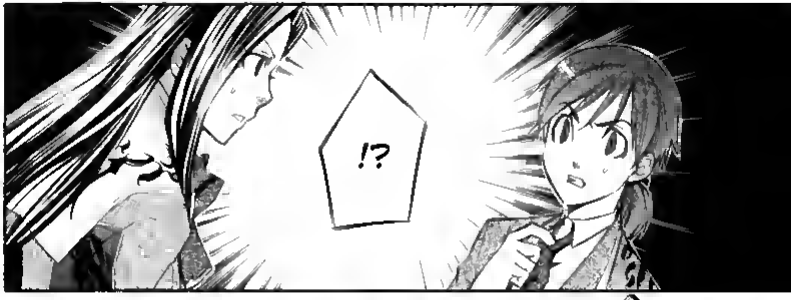
ANE-KI, YOU DON'T UNDER-STAND A SINGLE THING!
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT! THIS GUY IS A PSYCHO!
ARE YOU AN IDIOT!? DO YOU THINK WE CAN WAIT THAT LONG!!?
10 DAYS !?
WHEN I WAS THERE, THERE WAS ALSO A PERSON WHO LOST IT, BUT WE WERE ABLE TO OVERCOME IT.
IT'S BE-CAUSE IT'S *THAT* KIND OF PLACE, YOU KNOW...

CERTAINLY, "TOMONAGA IZURU" IS A PROBLEM.
I KNOW IT'S DIFFICULT.
BUT, EVEN SO, YOU'RE BEING TOO DEPENDENT.
...I AM TRYING MY BEST.
...TO THINK THERE'S NO CLUE EVEN NOW...
SANJUROU.
IF YOU'RE GOING TO SAY THAT, THEN YOU SHOULD SEE FOR YOURSELF.
SIGH
I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ANY MORE OF YOUR CRIES OF WOE
BYE.
zaaa
DAMNIT.
zaaa


HEY, NOA.
WHERE'S HIRA-SAKA?
SHE'S RIGHT ...
!?

HEY, MISO.
AH.
HOW SHOULD I SAY THIS...


EH!? SHE WAS HERE! SHE WAS RIGHT HERE UNTIL A SECOND AGO!
STEP
THEN WHY IS SHE GONE!?


!?

HIM ...!!
STEP

!
STEP
STEP

STEP
STEP
STEP
STEP
STEP

RUN
Step
Step
Step
Ka-
tana
Shaaa
RUN
RUN
RUN
RUN
RUN

SFX: Slash
SFX: Miss
UWAAAAAAH!

SFX: Swing
MUR-DER-ER!
GIVE ROKU-DOU-KUN BACK!
OH?
TAKING RE-VENGE?

SFX: Grab
HOW BOR-ING.
THAT SMALL FEELING OF FRIEND-SHIP.
!?
THAT'S WHY YOU GUYS ARE NOTHING BUT IDIOTS AND SCUM.
IT'S BEEN 7 YEARS.
7 YEARS
Grab
SINCE I SWAM IN THAT SEA OF GARBAGE!
WHAT IS HE SAYING ...?

EVERY-DAY EVERY-DAY EVERY-DAY.
EVERY-DAY EVERY-DAY.
EVERY-DAY.
EVERY-DAY
Drip
Drip
Drip
LET GO!
IS THAT ...
FRIEND SHIP?
Squeeze
THIS GUY'S SERIOUSLY CRAZY!!!
WELL ?
YOU GET IT, RIGHT ?
HE'S...
RIGHT !?
LET GO!
WHAT ABOUT IT?
SO WHAT?
SO MUCH THAT I WANT TO THROW UP!!!!

YOU CAME TO TAKE YOUR REVENGE, RIGHT?
...
NO... ONE...
Thud
PRIP
...?
NO ONE!
CAN... SO... EASILY ...
TAKE A PERSON'S LIFE
LIKE YOU!!

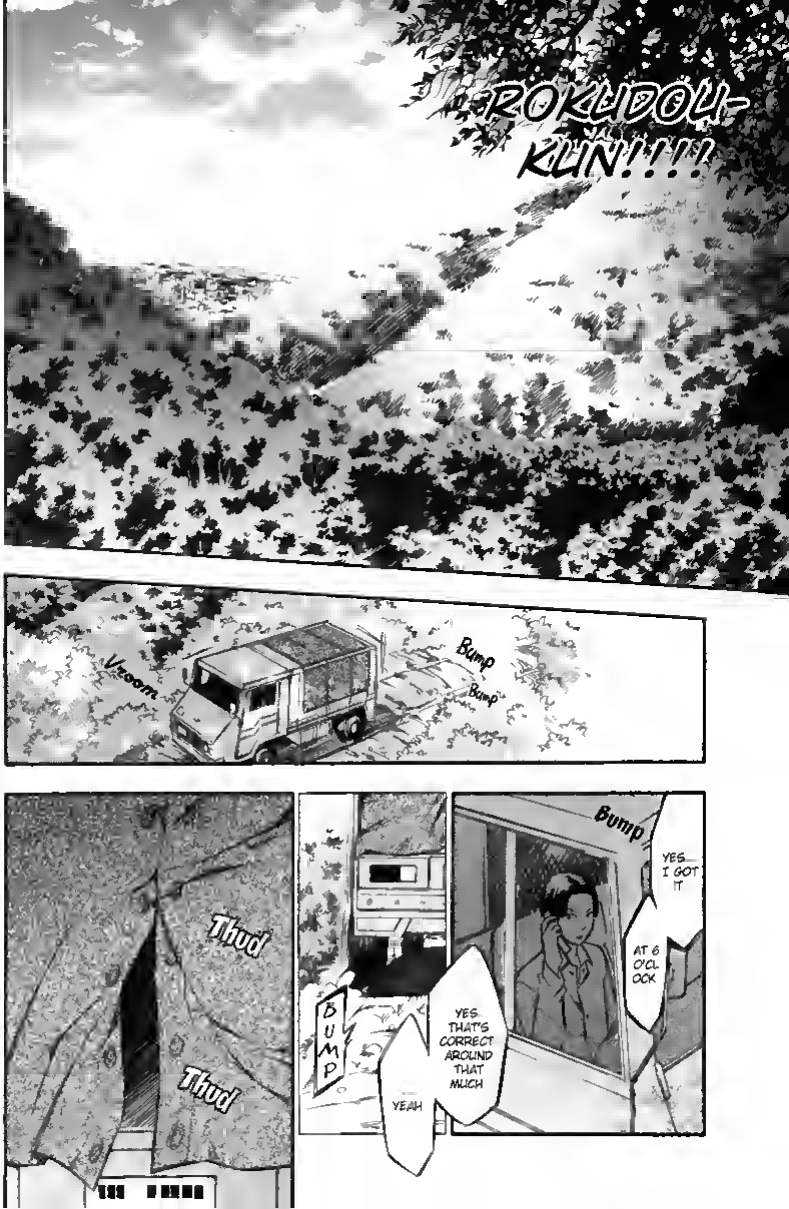
I DON'T EVEN HAVE TO LIFT A FINGER
AGAINST YOU.
Ugh...
...u...
Ugh...
WEAK.

Tap
Tap
Tap
Tap
Tap
Tap
DAMNIT!!!

DAMNIT! I COULD'VE KILLED HIM...!!
IF ONLY I HAD A LITTLE MORE COURAGE...
EVERYTHING WOULD'VE GONE WELL...
DAMNIT!!!

AIRA-CHAN!
YOU ...!
WHY ...
JUST A LITTLE MORE...
I... I WAS SO CLOSE...
IF I DIDN'T HESI-TATE...
AIRA-CHAN! HEY!
EVERY-THING WOULD HAVE...
LOOK AT ME!
LOOK!
WHY ...
LOOK!
GRAB
AIRA-CHAN!

NOA-CHAN
I...
I...
DON'T!!
YOU...
Squeeze
YOU DON'T NEED TO DO THAT KIND OF THING!
NOA-CHAN
IT'S FRUS-TRATING ...!!
FRUS-TRAT-ING


ROKUDOU-KUN!!!!
Vroom
Bump
Bump
Thud
Thud
BUMP
YEAH
YES. THAT'S CORRECT AROUND THAT MUCH
Bump
YES... I GOT IT
AT 6 O'CLOCK

Vroom
I'M GONNA BITE MY TONGUE ON THIS BUMPY ROAD EVEN THOUGH THE MAIN ROAD IS RIGHT THERE...
Air-too..
YES?
AHH YES
I UNDER-STAND, BUT...
THUD
OPEN
IMPACT
SFX: Slam

Roll
Roll
Wriggle
Unzip

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Dear readers,

As I'm sure you've realized, Shinnen's releases have gotten very, very infrequent lately. It's been half a year since we released an Aphorism chapter. So we thought it was about high time that we gave our readers an update.

Yes, this is a ridiculous pace. We don't know that we owe many apologies and cookies. Many of our staff members have moved onto other things in life and we have been trying to fill the void. We're certainly sad to lose such awesome people, and our projects won't be the same without them. We wish them all the luck and success!

We are aware that there is currently another group scanlating Aphorism. We understand that releases from that group are at a higher frequency than ours. That said, we still have a few members who plan on continuing Aphorism. The priority is to satisfy our own love and enjoyment for the project, and also as a HQ follow-up for those who are interested and/or want to archive.

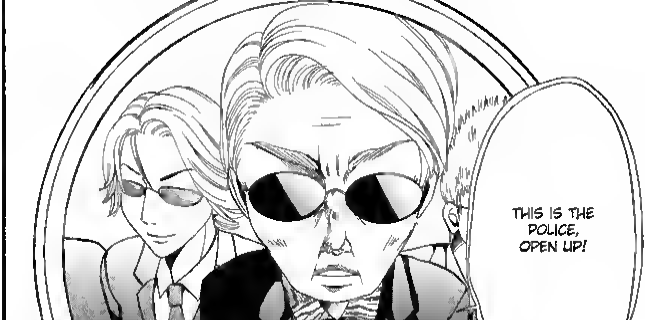
That said, we would love to continue it at a more reasonable pace. We would very much appreciate the help of a some-what experienced EDITOR, and someone fluent in Japanese for a TRANSLATOR or TRANSLATION-CHECKER. Sorry, we don't really have the time to train right now, though we'll gladly point you to the many tutorials and guides floating about.

We are also seriously lacking staff for our other projects, especially cleaners/editors and Japanese>English translators.
We need your help to continue!
(Though there are certainly priorities =3)

**Please, apply! We are also open to Joints.**

- **On our website: http://shinnen.net/help/recruitment**
- **Talk to us on IRC: #shinnen on irchighway.net**

**Even if you don't apply, come say hi to us anyway. =3**



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Merry Christmas!
I hope everyone will be with their loved ones this season~ ^w
-Cisaku-chan

MERRY CHRISTMAS!
Its time to exchange gift. WHERE IS MINE!
Anyway, hope you all have an AMAZING Christmas. XD
-Richan

Happy holidays everyone~!
We survived another year!
Hope everyone gets tons of presents and good cheer~
Merry Christmas! o`
-k4gh

It's been a year full of various struggles, but thank you to everyone who offered their support. It's kept us going!
Thank you!
-Silvermoon

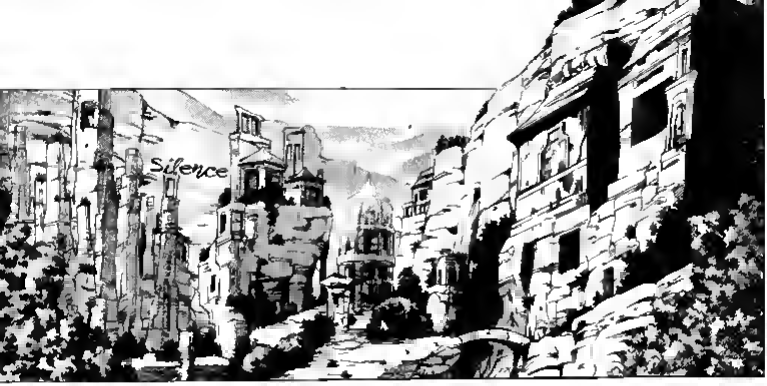
Happy Winter Holidays!
With smiles, laughter, and....cake.
Lots and lots of cake :D
Bwhahahahaha
~LOSTfan101~

Merry Christmas, happy holidays, happy belated winter solstice, have a wonderful new year, hope you enjoyed all the fluffy snow... Let's hope that the new year will be better than the old! Play nice~
-blazing_ice

Jingle bells, Jingle bells,
Jingle all the way~~
-Milkcoffee

# Chapter 12: Touch

WHAT ...
AH! WHAT'S THIS CLOTHING ...
.....
THEN...
I HAD JUST GOTTEN MY FOOD, AND THEN...
AND THEN...
...WHERE IS THIS...
...ANOTHER DIMEN-SION?


Silence

EH!
WHO!!?

YOUNG MASTER.
Haaa

I HAVE PREPARED YOUR TEA YOUNG MASTER
WILL YOU BE DRINKING IT?
...I WILL.

PLEASE.
Clink

GOOD AFTER-NOON.
MOMIJI-KUN.

AND!!
AND...
PARSLEY LOOKS LIKE A HOUSE-PLANT
THERE'S NO NEED TO EAT IT!!!!
MY HOME IS IN YAMU-NASHI
I CAN'T REMEMBER ANYTHING BUT UNRELATED THINGS!!!
SPEAKING OF WHICH... AIRA-CHAN'S DRAWING!!!
THE DRAWING ...
...DOESN'T LOOK LIKE HIM AT ALL.
AH! THAT'S NOT THE POINT!!!
RIGHT ...AIRA-CHAN SAID...
HIS PERSONALITY WAS DIFFERENT, HE COULD USE A KATANA, AND HE WAS COOL...
HE LOOKS EXACTLY LIKE THE KIND OF PERSON SHE SAID...
I THINK I CAN UNDERSTAND THE OTHERS' REACTIONS NOW...
THIS PERSON IS MY...!!
IT'S A PERSON I DON'T KNOW AT ALL!?
BUT ...WHEN I "CHANGE" EVERYONE...
[SAVIOR!!!!]
THEN .. DON'T TELL ME...
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO "CHANGES" INTO ME DURING THE BLIGHT AND HELPS ME..
UM...
WHO ARE YOU?
ME?
I'M "ROKU-DOU"
THE ONE EVERYONE KNOWS... YOU KNOW?
EVERYONE KNOWS...
...!!

HEY WHERE IS THIS PLACE?
WHY AM I...
THAT'S WHAT I WANTED TO ASK
HMM MM MMM...?
What's that...
I DON'T UNDER-STAND WHAT HE IS SAYING
HE'S DEFINITELY A DIFFERENT PERSON FROM ME...
WE'RE NOT DIFFERENT, YOU KNOW?
BECAUSE I'M YOU.
We're the same.

WHY ARE YOU ON THIS SIDE?
THIS IS A PLACE... THAT YOU SHOULDN'T COME TO.

EH...?
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
IT MEANS THAT THIS PLACE IS NOT FOR THE LIVING
THE FACT THAT YOU'RE HERE MEANS..

.....

DO YOU HAVE ANY MEMORY AT ALL
OF WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?
I WAS JUST GETTING FOOD AND THEN I ENDED UP HERE....
Sip
Sip
SHIT
BE

MOMIJI-KUN'S "SPIRIT" REMAINED
AND THEN HE DIED.

HRM
This can only mean...
THERE IS ONLY ONE THING THAT'S FOR CERTAIN

BUT, THIS IS BAD.
IF HE DIED, THEN "MOMIJI-KUN" CAN'T RETURN TO THE REAL WORLD...
ON TOP OF THAT, HE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW HE'S DEAD...!!!
IT'S BECAUSE THE BOSS IS ALWAYS DAYDREAMING THAT'S WHY...
HIS BODY WILL START TO DECAY.
IF THAT HAPPENS, I CAN'T DO ANYTHING.....!!
WHY IN THE HELL... AN ACCIDENT? THERE WAS.... NO BLIGHT.
OR DID SOMEONE HAVE A GRUDGE AGAINST MOMIJI...!?

WHAT'S WRONG?
SLEE-PY?
YEAH.
I WONDER IF I'M TIRED...?
LIE DOWN FOR A BIT.
I WONDER IF IT'S BECAUSE...
A LOT OF THINGS HAPPEN-ED
DROOP
HEY, YOU...
THIS PLACE...
THERE IS NO NEED TO THINK ABOUT ANYTHING RIGHT NOW
STROKE
GOOD NIGHT.
WHAT DO I DO...!!?
.....

THIS ISN'T GOOD... "MOMIJI" IS STARTING TO WEAKEN.
HE WON'T LAST VERY LONG...
THERE'S NO CHOICE
BUT FOR ME TO GO OUT.

FLASH
PLEASE WAIT, BOSS.
I'LL GO SAVE THE WORLD.
I WILL DEFINITELY BRING YOU BACK TO LIFE!!!!

OH..!
OH! SUCCESS?
BUMP
.. AH
VRoooM
BUT I CAN'T MOVE...
EX-CUSE ME...
Bump
...IS THIS A SHIP?
IT'S PITCH BLACK ...
I CAN'T SEEM TO MOVE...
BUMP
Bump
UWA! IT'S SHAKING !!!
I FEEL LIKE I'M GOING TO GET SEA SICK.
BUMP
Bump
TOH!
SHAKE
SHAKE
SHAKE
GRRR
Bump
Squirm
Squirm
Bump
HRN..
Shift
BATTLE
!!!

CRASH
AH
I DID IT!!!
VROOOOM
BURST OUT
WHEW...

RUSTLE
THIS IS NOT
THE SCHOOL.
...WHERE AM I?

WHERE WERE THEY TAKING
MOMIJI-KUN...?
AAAA
SHOW ME THE WAY, BOSS.
BUT, DON'T WORRY. I WILL WITHOUT A DOUBT RETURN TO THE SCHOOL.

ARE YOU OKAY?
YEAH.
DAMN. DON'T SCARE US LIKE THAT...
SORRY
ALRIGHT, LET'S LEAVE IT AT THAT...
DID THAT GUY DO ANYTHING TO YOU?
NO...
Pat
Pat
WELCOME BACK
AIRA-CHAN
BUT I GUESS IF YOU'RE SAFE.
Step

...MAY I?
MUKAI RYOU
...YOU'RE FROM CLASS 4...
READY!
WHO THE HELL...!!!
ARE YOU TOMONAGA'S UNDERLING OR SOME SHIT!? WHAT THE HELL DID YOU COME TO DO THIS TIME!!?

...I ONLY CAME TO WARN YOU.
...PLEASE DO NOT GET IN IZURU'S WAY ANYMORE.

SO THAT COWARD ACTUALLY LET YOU COME FACE TO FACE WITH US HUH?
WHAT THE FUCK DID YOU JUST SAY!!? YOU LITTLE...
TELL US YOUR GOAL
FOR WHAT PURPOSE DID YOU DO THIS...
GLARE
...OR DO YOU WANT TO DIE?
WHAT!!?
...DID I JUST GET A DEATH LOOK...!?
THAT IS ALL
BYE
AH...

SAYING WHATEVER SHIT YOU FEEL LIKE AND THEN...
CLICK
HEY !!!
HEY !!!
STOP RIGHT THERE!
TAP
BAM
I TOLD YOU TO STOP RIGHT THERE !!!
LURE
FALL
?
AH...
HUH...?

.....
YOU LITTLE ...!!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPEN -ED..
I WAS JUST...
KYAAAA
MOOOOOOOOOVE!!!
SFX: SLASH

I GET IT... SO PUT YOUR WEAPON AWAY!!!
UWAA!
DON'T GET ME WRONG !!!
FEEEEEE
I WASN'T TRYING TO KILL YOU!
I DIDN'T EVEN THINK ANYTHING LIKE THAT !
STOP
H... HEY!
CLAP
IT'S NOT WHAT YOU THINK HINATA -KUN!!
!!!
Urgg
AH
STRETCH
.....
?
!
YOU GUYS TOO!!!
You're close!!!
CLING

...ARE YOU OKAY?
...YEAH
SERIOUSLY, MY BAD.
...SHUT UP

...HOW DO WE GET RID OF THAT?
WHEN TIME PASSES, THE EFFECT GOES AWAY
AROUND 2-3 HOURS?
Clink
THAT'S SO DAMN ANNOYING
Is it a prank?

IT LOOKED AS IF THAT GIRL KNEW SOMETHING.
THOUGH IN THE END, WE NEVER FOUND OUT
BUT THAT'S NOT THE PROBLEM.
ANE-KI'S SUGGESTION IS USELESS... NOW THERE'S A NEED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THEM.
THE WORST.

THE WORST.
THERE'S A POSSIBILITY TO BECOME THE SAME AS TOMONAGA.
YOU!! LEARN FROM YOUR MISTAKES!!
AH
SO-RRY
CLUNK
DAMN !!!
THAT'S SHIT!!!

...DONE.

OVER
-DO
IT...
...
DON'T

RYOU.
WHERE DID YOU GO?
...OKAY
I'M LEAV -ING
..TO CLASS ! ...
...TO TALK.
LISTEN
DON'T DO ANYTHING UNNECESSARY.

THE PERSON I WAIT FOR DOESN'T COME .. HUH.
NO MATTER HOW LONG I WAIT...
...I WONDER WHAT'S GOING ON.
SHUT
...HMPH
...I'M NOT GETTING IN YOUR WAY.

...JUST AS I THOUGHT... I NEED TO CLEAN UP THE TRASH...
IN PERSON RIGHT?
TO THINK THAT THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS STILL HAVEN'T MOVED YET...
THOSE TRASH FROM CLASS 1 ARE UNEXPECTEDLY USELESS AS WELL
Mumble
WHY DO THEY THINK THAT I LET THEM LIVE...
Mumble

WAIT A LITTLE, BOSS.
I'LL BRING EVERYTHING BACK TO NORMAL.
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Revived students: 1
Existing students: 64

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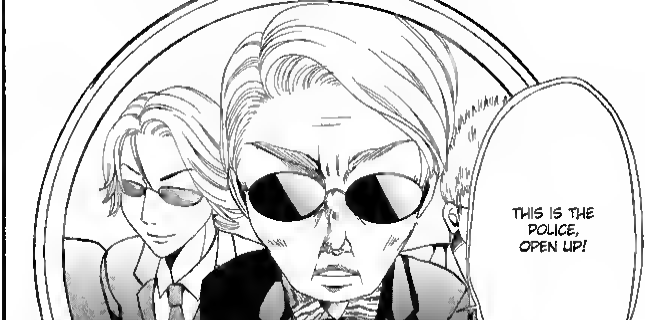

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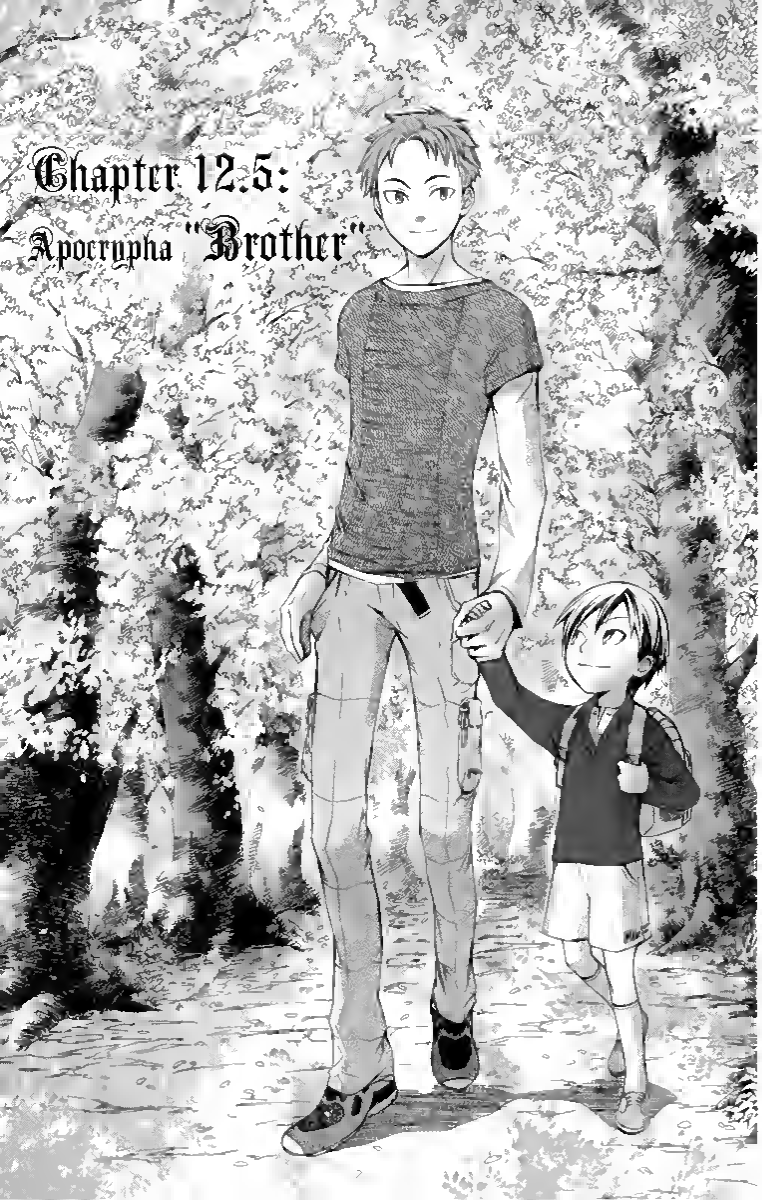
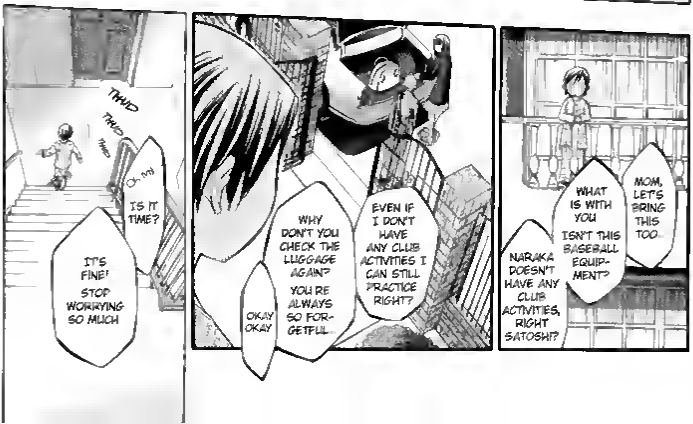
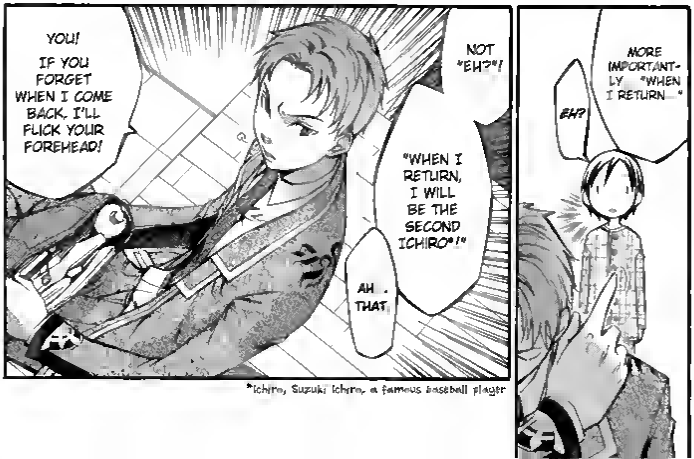

Chapter 12.5:
Apocrypha "Brother"

Tomonaga Izuru (6)


THUD
THUD
THUD
OH...?
IS IT TIME?
IT'S FINE! STOP WORRYING SO MUCH
OKAY OKAY
WHY DON'T YOU CHECK THE LUGGAGE AGAIN?
YOU'RE ALWAYS SO FORGETFUL
EVEN IF I DON'T HAVE ANY CLUB ACTIVITIES I CAN STILL PRACTICE RIGHT?
NARUKA DOESN'T HAVE ANY CLUB ACTIVITIES, RIGHT SATOSHI?
WHAT IS WITH YOU
ISN'T THIS BASEBALL EQUIPMENT?
MOM, LET'S BRING THIS TOO

MORNING
ONII-CHAN IS LEAVING?
TAP TAP
MORNING, LAZY-BUG-KUN.
I'VE BEEN UP FOR A LONG TIME!
I'M LEAVING
DON'T MAKE MOM AND DAD WORRY BY TRIPPING SOMEWHERE AND HURTING YOURSELF, OKAY?
Tomonaga Satoshi (15)
ISN'T THAT ONII-CHAN?
I'M NOT THAT USELESS
YOU... DON'T BE SO ARROGANT! YOU'RE ONLY A FIRST GRADER...


MORE IMPORTANTLY "WHEN I RETURN..."
EH?
NOT "EH?"!
"WHEN I RETURN, I WILL BE THE SECOND ICHIRO*!"
AH. THAT
YOU! IF YOU FORGET WHEN I COME BACK, I'LL FLICK YOUR FOREHEAD!

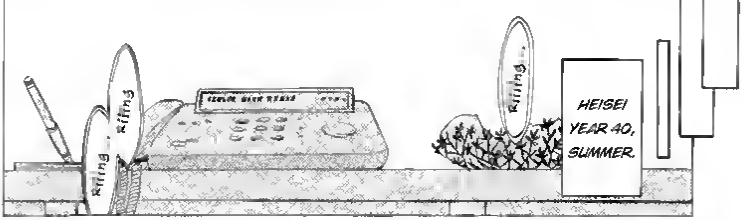
*Ichiro, Suzuki Ichiro, a famous baseball player

NARAKA ONLY WAS ONE YEAR
ONCE I FINISH, I CAN ENTER HIGH SCHOOL.
BUT EVEN IF YOU SAY THAT AREN'T YOU GONNA WORK AS SOON AS YOU GRADUATE?
SO YOU DIDN'T GIVE UP, AFTER ALL.
OF COURSE I HAVEN'T COMPLETELY GIVEN UP!
STOP JOKING
AH! IZURU!!! DON'T TALK SO MUCH!
YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A FIGHT WITH MOM AGAIN
I'LL BE FINE AS LONG AS YOU KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT.
COMPARED TO A HIGH-END JOB THE KOSHIEN STADIUM IS MORE IMPORTANT.

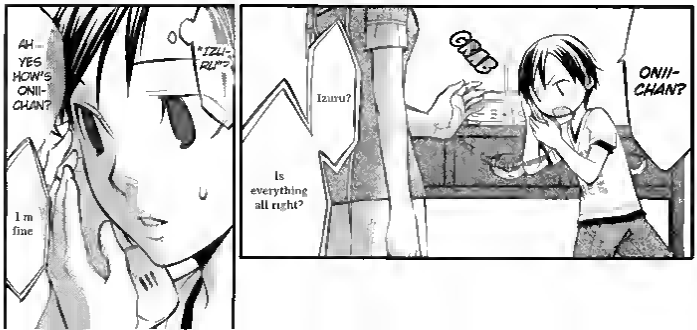
*Baseball stadium located near Kobe, built to host the national high school baseball tournaments.

BUT— THE SECOND ICHIRO IS SOMEONE, RIGHT?
HE WAS PRAISED FOR HIS GODLY SKILLS THIS SEASON, AND HAS MANY PEOPLE EXCITED, RIGHT?
YOU DON'T UNDER-STAND
ICHIRO IS MY ONE AND ONLY IDOL.
HMPH

THEN, I'M LEAVING...
"WHEN I COME BACK AGAIN"?
"THE SECOND ICHIRO"
GOOD! ONE MORE TIME!!!
"WHEN I COME BACK"?
.....
HURRY UP AND LEAVE ALREADY.
HOW BORING.
SEE YOU!
TAKE CARE.


Ring... Ring...
Ring...
HEISEI YEAR 40, SUMMER.

OPEN
...I'M BACK
IZURU !!!
PHONE !!!
IT'S YOUR BROTHER
HE SAID HE GOT A JOB!

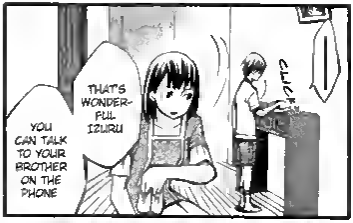

ONII-CHAN?
CLICK
Izuru?
Is everything all right?
AH— YES HOW'S ONII-CHAN?
"IZU-RU"?
I m fine

UM... ONII-CHAN?
HOW'S THAT THING?
MINISKIRT
What?
THAT! JOINING THE BASEBALL CLUB!
Ahh!!!
I gave up on that!
Really
Once I started school I decided that it's better to focus my attention on my job
IS THAT SO...

THEN, ONII-CHAN
"WHEN YOU COME BACK"
...Eh?

AH THAT...
"WHEN YOU COME BACK"...
.....

Ahh!!!
Souvenirs!
What do you want, Izuru?
EH...!?


CLICK
THAT'S WONDERFUL IZURU!
YOU CAN TALK TO YOUR BROTHER ON THE PHONE

HEY, MOM
WHO WAS THAT JUST NOW?

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? THAT WAS YOUR BROTHER!
A MOM WOULDN'T FORGET THE VOICE OF HER OWN SON RIGHT?
NAG
REALLY, THAT CHILD HARDLY EVER PHONES HOME.
NAG
IT'S TRUE THAT THAT WAS DEFINITELY ONII-CHAN'S VOICE
.....

ONII-CHAN WOULD NEVER FORGET ABOUT BASE-BALL!!!
THERE'S THE POSSIBILITY THAT HIS MIND CHANGED AFTER HE GOT TO SCHOOL...
BUT... THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE!
県立図書館
CLICK CLICK
CLICK
THE PERSON JUST NOW WASN'T ONII-CHAN.
THEN WHAT'S GOING ON?
IF THAT WAS SOMEBODY ELSE JUST NOW, THEN WHERE DID MY REAL ONII-CHAN GO!?

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<To the survivors

Everyone has hea
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SCHOOL...nce
NARAKA!!!

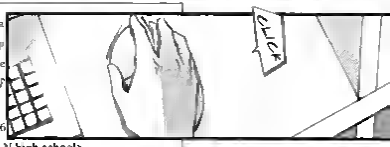
Time: July 1

Location: K mou

Objects to prepa

162 Recommended dessert at Naraka

We went to NARA Coffee Shop
yesterday and they had new re
buns Everybody bought one! ♪

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<To the survivors of S district N high school>

Everyone has heard of deaths at N high school right?
We learnt that the bodies of the students were
carelessly buried in G district K mountain We re
doing on a meeting to reclaim the bodies

WHAT IS THIS? "MEETING"?

July 14 (Fri ) 23:00

Location K mountain, Shiiame little house in the mou
Objects to prepare Something to confirm DNA.

People who are interested in this may be family or survivors
of N high

"THE BODIES OF THE STUDENTS WERE CARELESSLY BURIED IN G DISTRICT K MOUNTAIN"
.....
K MOUNTAIN... THAT'S IN THE NEXT DISTRICT. SHOULD I TAKE THE BUS .?
...NO!!!
ONII-CHAN MIGHT NOT
REALLY BE DEAD
.....
SHOCK

Also, if you have received fake phone calls, or someone similar has visited, you can pretty much be certain that the real person has already died. With little doubt

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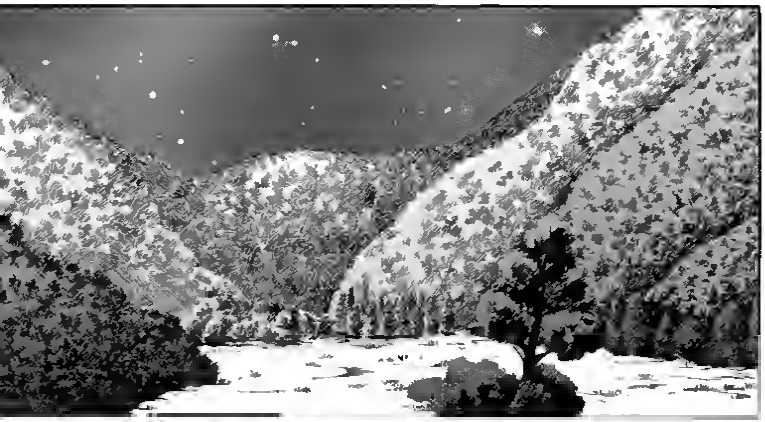
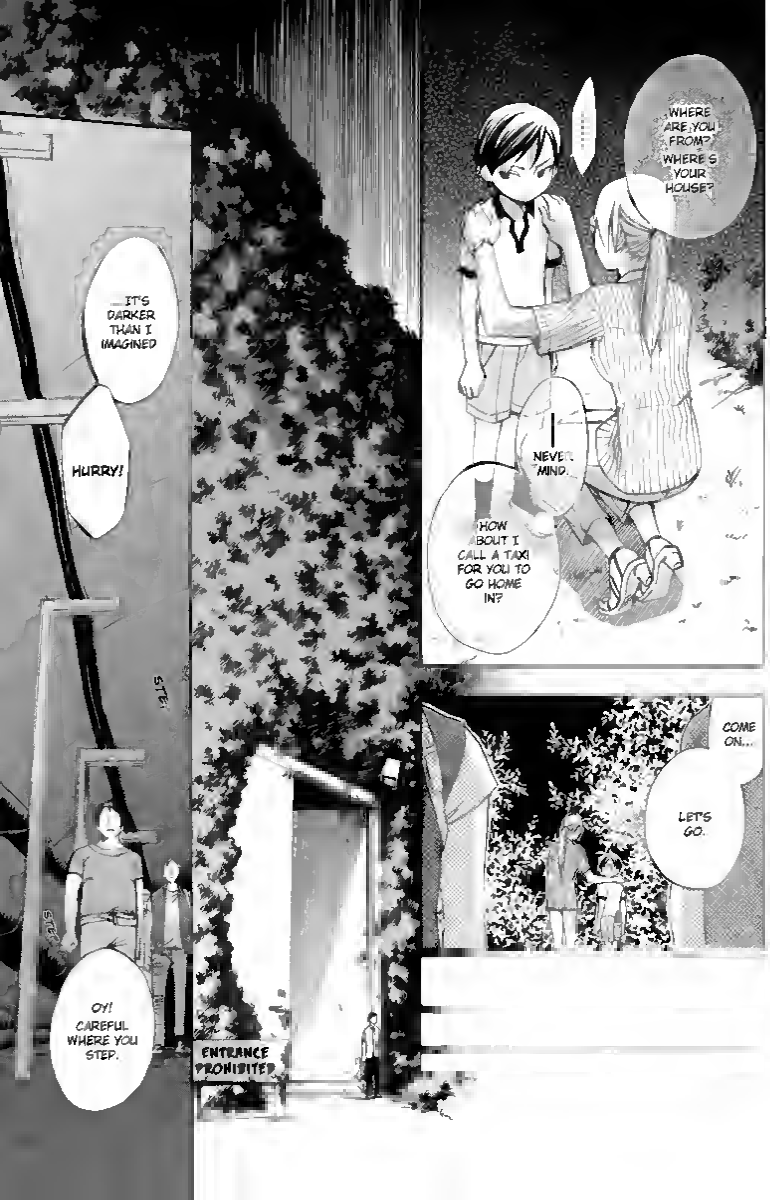


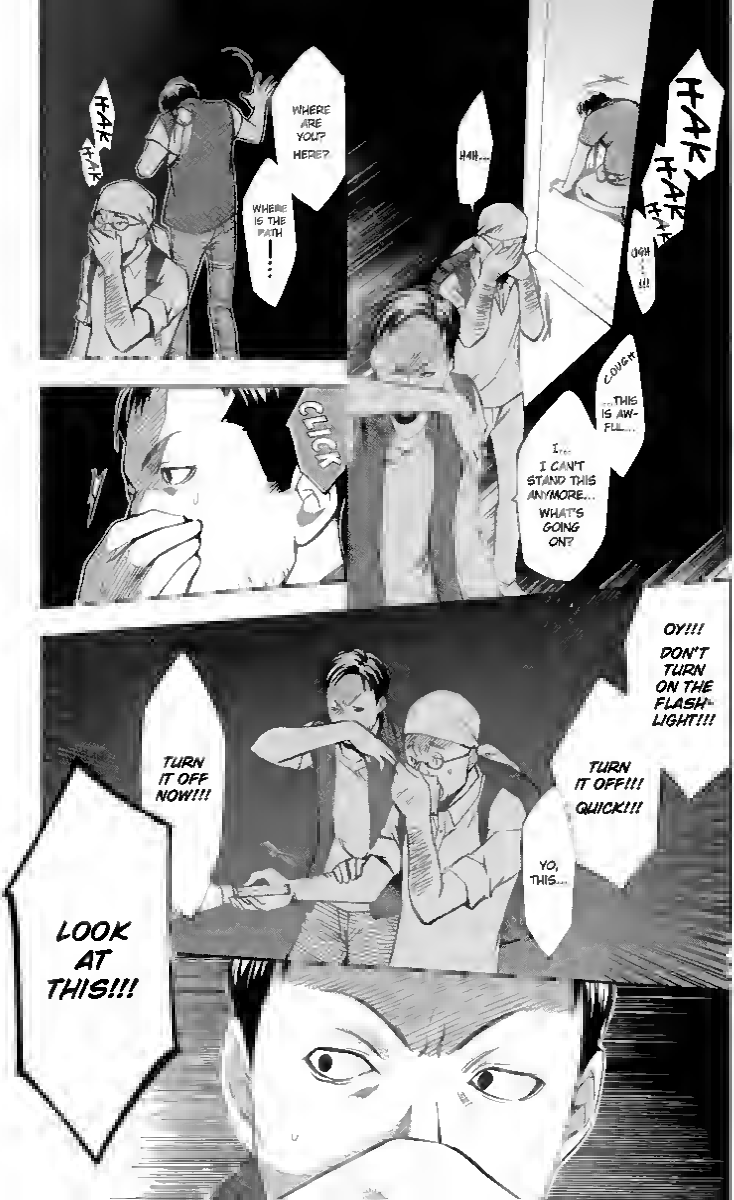
SENSEI, THERE'S AN ENTRANCE A BIT FURTHER, RIGHT?
YES
THERE SHOULD STILL BE BODIES OF STUDENTS IN THE FACILITY...
I THINK EVERYONE SHOULD LEAVE THAT TO ME

IN THE END, ONLY ONE PARTY ANSWERED AND CAME...
CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT AFTER ALL, WE DIDN'T HAVE IT ONLINE LONG
SO YOU ARE...?
MY SISTER'S CHILD HASN'T RETURNED... IT'S BEEN THREE YEARS
IT'S MY NEPHEW FOR ME...
AH, EVERYONE HERE SHARES THE SAME MISFORTUNE.

HOWEVER IF YOU FEEL LIKE YOU'RE IN DANGER,
RETREAT IMMEDIATELY
IF YOU FIND THE BODY, GO IMMEDIATELY TO MY TRUCK AT THE FOOT OF THE MOUNTAIN, AND PERFORM DNA TESTING THERE.
THE CAMERA AT THE ENTRANCE HAS BEEN TURNED OFF... LET'S TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY
OKAY, GOT IT
!!!
A KID!?
WHY WOULD HE BE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS...!?
...MY ONII-CHAN HASN'T RETURNED, EITHER
I'M GOING WITH YOU GUYS.
SO YOU SAW THE POST...
YOUR ONII-CHAN HUH?
A CHILD CAN'T GO!!!
WE CAN'T BRING A CHILD SENSEI!!!
OKAY


WHERE ARE YOU FROM? WHERE'S YOUR HOUSE?
.....
NEVER MIND.
HOW ABOUT I CALL A TAXI FOR YOU TO GO HOME IN?
COME ON...
LET'S GO.
...IT'S DARKER THAN I IMAGINED
HURRY!
STEP.
STEP.
OY! CAREFUL WHERE YOU STEP.
ENTRANCE PROHIBITED

STEP
UM... WHERE DID YOU HEAR THIS FROM?
ABOUT HAVING MORE THAN 20 BODIES...
STEP
STEP
NO THERE SHOULD BE MORE...
I HEARD THE NUMBER'S CLOSE TO 100
100 !!?
HOWEVER. WHY DOES IT SMELL SO BAD
IS IT CONNECTED TO THE SEWER?
STEP
THIS IS IT RIGHT?
UGH...
COUGH
.....!!!
...YOU GUYS GO FIRST...
COUGH
CREAK
SHOCK
!!!


HAK, HAK, HAK
UGH...
COUGH
...THIS IS AWFUL...
I... I CAN'T STAND THIS ANYMORE... WHAT'S GOING ON?
HAH...
WHERE ARE YOU? HERE?
WHERE IS THE PATH!...
HAK, HAK
CLICK
OY!!! DON'T TURN ON THE FLASHLIGHT!!!
TURN IT OFF!!! QUICK!!!
YO, THIS...
TURN IT OFF NOW!!!
LOOK AT THIS!!!

NO, MORE... THERE'RE SO MANY ...!!!
100...
WHAT IS THIS... WHAT IS THIS...
LET ME GO!!!
LET ME GO!!!
YOU ARE SO LOUD !!!
GUYS!!! BAD NEWS!!!
SOME-ONE'S COMING !!!
...!!!
YOU GUYS ARE SICK!!! CRAZY!!!
OKAY, OKAY. GET IN THE TRUCK!!!

STEP
IS THAT ALL?
ALWAYS CAUSING ME TROUBLE...
STEP
UKH... COUGH
ONII-CHAN...
IS HERE...
...SO IT'S LIKE THIS.

Doooo
Doooo
PLEASE HURRY UP
The person you re trying to reach is unavaila-ble
Please leave your message after the tone
BEEP
WHY MUST IT BE LIKE THIS
Doooo
Doooo

TAP...
YOU ARE !!!
WHY ARE YOU HERE!?
HOW DID YOU GET LIKE THAT

Scatter
Scatter
PANTS
!!!
WHAT'S GOING ON!!?
SO.
WE'RE SUPPOSED TO CONFIRM OVER HERE, RIGHT?
PLEASE CONFIRM.
CHECK TO SEE IF ONII-CHAN'S BONES ARE HERE.

AT THE EARLIEST A FEW MONTHS...
LATEST, A YEAR AND A HALF...
RUSTLE
THUD
!!!
HIS FACE SHOULD BE UNRECOGNIZABLE...
HAS IT TURNED TO BONES ALREADY?
DETESTABLE!!!
ONCE IT'S TIME, THEY DUMP ALL THE BODIES HERE WITHOUT MERCY.
FROM THEN ON, LOOKING FOR HIS BODY BECAME MY DAILY HOMEWORK.
EVERY DAY...
EVERY DAY...
EVERY DAY...
SOMETIMES I ALMOST GOT CAUGHT BY THEM
A CHILD?
I THOUGHT I SAW ONE WHEN I CAME IN.
HE WOULDN'T ENTER HERE...
WHAT IF... WELL HE SHOULD NOT
FLIES ARE FLYING ALL OVER THE PLACE AGAIN
TIME TO CLEAN

IF YOUR MOM KNEW THE TYPE OF THINGS YOU'RE DOING NOW
IZURU-KUN YOU HAVEN'T GONE TO SCHOOL, RIGHT?
HAVE YOU TOLD YOUR PARENTS?
THEN,
WHY DON'T WE TELL THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE BODIES?
IF WE DO THAT YOU CAN...
IT'S NO USE.
NONE OF THE RELATIVES HAVE RE-TURNED...
SENSE! AND I WOULD BOTH DISAPPEAR TOO
I WILL DEFINITELY FIND ONII-CHAN'S BODY!
DEFINI-TELY!!!
.....

.....
CLATTER
COUGH
COUGH
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
THIS KID IS THE NIECE OF MUKAI RIYO-SENSEI.
HSH!
I ALSO WANT TO LOOK
I DON'T NEED YOUR HELP
GO HOME !!!
.....
ONII-CHAN HASN'T BEEN DEAD FOR THAT LONG!!!
!!!

I'M NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT HAPPENS TO YOU
YEAH
.....
RATTLE
EVEN THOUGH I'VE LOOKED FOR HIS BODY EVER SINCE THEN.
I STILL HAVEN'T FOUND ONII-CHAN'S BODY EVEN AFTER A FEW YEARS HAVE PASSED
THUD
CLUNK
THEN, THE SEASON I HATED THE MOST, SPRING, ARRIVED AGAIN
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
THE BODIES OF STUDENTS PILED LIKE A MOUNTAIN ON TOP OF ONII-CHAN
THUMP
THUMP

GET LOST !!!
TOSS
ONII-CHAN IS GOING TO GET BURIED !!!
FLING
THROW
GRAB
PUSH
HAA
HAA
HAA

AND THEN
—
—

IZURU-KUN...
UM...

HAA HAA

SIGH

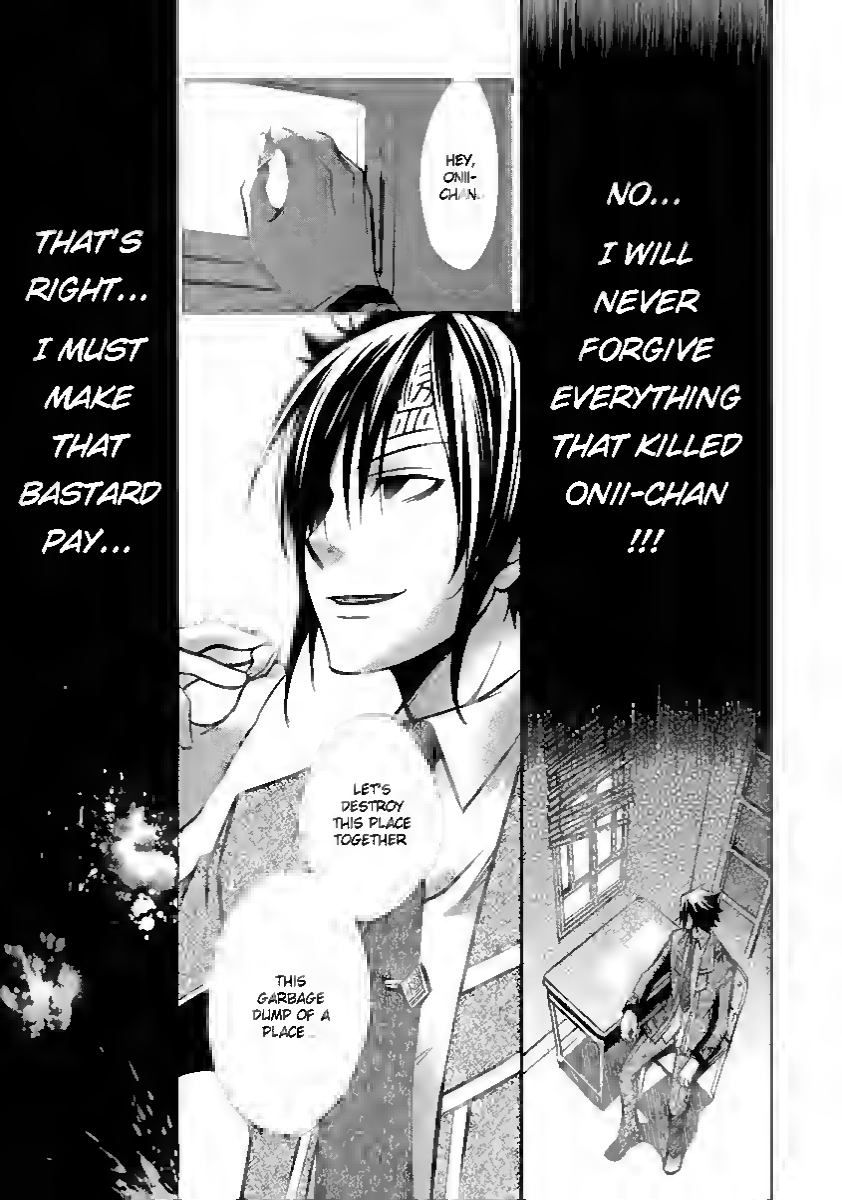
RUSTLE
RUSTLE

THIS
BELONGS TO YOUR BROTHER
I ORIGINALLY PLANNED TO SPEND MY LIFE LOOKING FOR ONII-CHAN'S BODY.
.....
ACTUALLY... I DIDN'T WANT TO TELL YOU
BUT, I DON'T WANT YOU TO LOOK ANY MORE
I NEVER THOUGHT THAT I'D FIND IT RIGHT WHEN IT'S TIME TO DECIDE ON A HIGH SCHOOL.
THIS IS FATE.

IT'S YOUR BROTHER
OPEN
AH, YOU'RE BACK
COME HERE IZURU
HELLO?
Izuru?
You're skipping classes?
Mom is worried about you
Are you listening?
HEY ONI-CHAN
WAS YOUR SCHOOL INTERESTING?
Eh...?
Um...it's okay though, Izuru
It's still meaningful
Why are you asking all of a sudden?
REALLY

THEN, WHY DON'T I GO TO NARAKA, TOO...?
Eh?
Doo—o
Doo—o
Doo—o
Doo—o
BANG
Oh, so you're deciding to go there.
I'll send some information to you.
MMM. THANK YOU.
Ah... Then, I'll call you later.
SEE YOU.
Ah, say hi to dad for me.
CLICK

I
HAVE
BEEN
GIVEN
THIS
FATE.


NO...
I WILL NEVER FORGIVE EVERYTHING THAT KILLED ONII-CHAN !!!
HEY, ONII-CHAN...
THAT'S RIGHT... I MUST MAKE THAT BASTARD PAY...
LET'S DESTROY THIS PLACE TOGETHER
THIS GARBAGE DUMP OF A PLACE...

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WHAT DO YOU MEAN
THERE'S NO MORE TO READ?
BUT I WAS JUST GETTING INTO IT!
I DEMAND THAT YOU HURRY UP AND RELEASE MORE!
COME ON
DON'T YOU GUYS JUST SLAP A BUNCH OF TEXT ONTO A PAGE?
I bet they're just lazy
Hmm
NO. THERE'S TRANSLATING, CLEANING, EDITING, TYPESETTING, QUALITY CHECKING, ETC.
It's a lot of work.
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BUT WE'RE SHORT ON STAFF. IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO GET SCANS OUT ANY QUICKER.
I WOULD LIKE TO
What??
That blows.
Mutter
Mutter
Optimistic
I KNOW!
IF WE CAN GET MORE PEOPLE TO HELP, THEN ALL OF US CAN ENJOY FASTER SCANS.
IS THAT TRUE?
YEAH! I'M GOING TO APPLY NOW!
And you should too!

Chapter 13: Threat

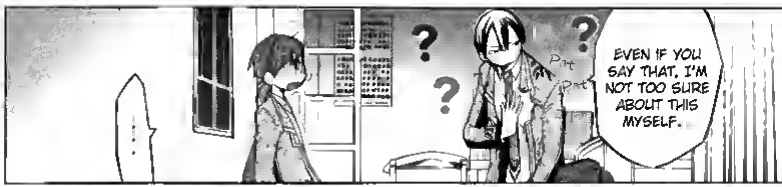
NU NU NU
...HMM. NO GOOD, HUH..

AS I SUSPECTED, IT'S NOT THAT EASY TO INVESTIGATE DIRECTLY
HOWEVER, WE CAN'T BE SO LAID BACK..
.....
THAT WOMAN RAN HERE SPECIFICALLY TO GIVE US A WARNING...
MEANING TOMONAGA WILL MAKE A MOVE SOON
WE BETTER THINK OF SOME PRECAUTION AGAINST THAT——!!
IT'S ABOUT TIME
TO SORT OUT ROKUDOU'S THINGS
.....

JUST YOU WAIT...
Jingle
WE WILL AT LEAST GET REVENGE FOR YOU!!!!

.....
TAP
I'M BACK.

ISN'T YOUR HEART GONE ?!!
EHH?!
MY HEART IS GONE?!
SHOCK
WUAA AHHH !!!
WHY ARE YOU HERE?!!
SO, UM... I FOUND MYSELF ON THE MOUNTAIN... SO I WALKED BACK.
...I DIDN'T ASK YOU ABOUT THAT!!!
THUD


EVEN IF YOU SAY THAT, I'M NOT TOO SURE ABOUT THIS MYSELF.

UMM... WHY IS MY HEART GONE ?!!
WHY CAN YOU STILL MOVE?!!
DON'T COME SO CLOSE!!!

IS THIS FOR REAL?!!
THE REAL PERSON?
WHO'S THAT GUY...?
?

AIRA-CHAN, OVER HERE!!!
!!!

THAT'S WONDER-FUL..
COLLAPSE
THAT I GOT TO SEE YOU AGAIN... THAT'S WONDERFUL...

NO WAY... ROKU-DOU-KUN ...?!!

I'M BACK, AIRA-CHAN.
... YES ...
listens
?!
EEH
?
Eh..? he's still alive...
Off-topic
.....
IS IT BECAUSE YOU DON'T HEAR ANY HEART-BEATS?
SHIVER
SHIVER
SHIVER
AH?
Ah!!!

FOR NOW, ROKUDOU (BIG) IS BACK...
UM
WHY IS MY HEART GONE?
AH...
THAT TOMONAGA GUY USED HIS POWER TO "STEAL" ROKUDOU (SMALL)'S HEART.
I STILL DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND
WHY WOULD HE "STEAL" IT?
HOW SHOULD I PUT THIS... BECAUSE WE DIDN'T DO THINGS HIS WAY?
...JUST BECAUSE OF THAT?
JUST BECAUSE OF THAT.
...WHERE IS THAT GUY RIGHT NOW?
PROBABLY IN THE TOWER OPPOSITE OF HERE
AH... OY!!
OPENS
ROKU-DOU!!!

TAKE MY HEART BACK
OY! WAIT! WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?!
WAIT!!!
I'M TELLING YOU TO WAIT !!!
TAKE IT BACK? LOOK HERE...
I DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME...
MOMIJI-KUN'S EXIS-TENCE...
IS GOING TO DISAPPEAR SOON.
.....
...IN SHORT, WE CAN'T WASTE ANY TIME NOW. WE NEED TO QUICKLY RESTORE MOMIJI-KUN'S LIFE.

!!!
DA-DUMP...
DA-DUMP...
WHAT IS THIS...?

THIS...
IS A HEART ?!
I-IT'S STILL BEATING...
!!!
MOVE ASIDE !!!
Even though it's all beat up!!

FLOP

Knead
Knead
Knead

HINATA-KUN...
WHAT ON EARTH IS ROKUDOU-KUN...?
...DON'T ASK ME...

OY!
FLOP
IT WON'T RETURN TO ITS ORIGINAL SHAPE!!

OY!!! IT'S USE-LESS EVEN IF YOU GO NOW!!!
LISTEN TO ME!!!
……

Characters. Wall
!!!

……
SEE? WE CAN'T GO IN RIGHT NOW
THAT GUY WILL COME OUT SOONER OR LATER IT'S BEST TO GO BACK FOR NOW.

NO... IT'S TOO BROKEN TO BE USED...
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP...
BA-DUMP...
BA-DUMP...

WE'LL HEAD OVER IN A BIT, TOO.
THEN... CAREFUL ON YOUR WAY BACK!

I JUST WANTED TO TELL YOU SOMETHING
...NO.
AH... TATSUMI, MIKOTO-GAWA.
ONE MOMENT

I FEEL VERY APOLOGETIC TOWARDS YOU TWO.
SO...
BUT THIS SORT OF THING STILL OCCURRED.
PREVIOUSLY, I SAID THAT I WOULD TRY TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM NO MATTER WHAT.

SO... I THINK...
AT LEAST... BEFORE THE PEOPLE FROM OB COME, I'LL HIDE YOU TWO WITH KATOU'S "ERASE"...
HOW ABOUT THAT?
SCRIBBLE
SCRIBBLE
.....
SHOWS
I WANT TO FIGHT. PLEASE ONLY USE "ERASE" ON MIKOTOGAWA.
IS THAT SO
THEN, WE'LL ASK KATOU TO "ERASE" MIKOTO-GAWA.
IS THAT OK?
SORRY
..IF I COULD FIGHT, TOO..

WHEN I...
HEARD THAT WE HAD TO WRITE A CHARACTER FOR FIGHTING, I HAD NO IDEA WHAT TO WRITE
I THOUGHT THAT IT'S FINE AS LONG AS I DO THE "RIGHT" THING
Right
BUT, "RIGHTEOUS" IS REALLY COMPLETELY USELESS...
.....
AH!
JUST A SEC.
MIKOTO-SAN!!!
.....?
LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING NICE.

CREAK
... HERE IS FINE RIGHT?
QUIET DOWN.
BEING ABLE TO USE EMPTY ROOMS IS SO NICE.
CLICK
CLICK
... MAKING US TO DO THIS SORT OF THING AGAIN
THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO.. WE CAN'T OPPOSE TOMONAGA. .
THEN, I'LL BE THE LOOKOUT.
WHO SHOULD WE START WITH FIRST?
THE PERSON OVER THERE
CRASH!
... UGH !!!
THUNDER
RUSH
THAT'S TRUE
WE CAN ONLY QUICKLY COMPLETE OUR TASK ..
SLEEP

FALLS
WHAT...?
!?
SORRY, BUT...
RAP
WHOA...
WHO'S GOING TO FALL FOR YOUR TRICKS WHEN YOU USE THE SAME ONES EVERY TIME?
PLUMP

BOP
...NOW THEN. GOOD MORNING, YOU THREE.
OW ...
.....
UGH !!!
WUAH!!!
What is this?!
YOU GUYS !!
DON'T BE SO NOISY
I ONLY WANT TO ASK A FEW THINGS...
FIRST OF ALL... WHERE IS THAT GUY?

.....
DID YOU GUYS PLAN TO PUT US ALL TO SLEEP, AND THEN TAKE US SOME PLACE FOR A PUBLIC EXECUTION?
I DON'T KNOW
...ME NEITHER
.....
— NEVER MIND IT'S FINE IF YOU DON'T WANT TO SAY ANYTHING THEN WE'LL HAVE NO TROUBLE TAKING A WALK WITH YOU LOOKING LIKE THAT
IF SOMETHING UNEXPECTED HAPPENS, WE CAN USE YOU GUYS AS OUR SHIELD
YOU GUYS WOULD BE A GREAT HELP TO US
Y-YOU MUST BE J-JOK-ING!!!
THAT SORT OF THING
YOUR GREAT LEADER SEEMS TO REALLY HATE IDIOTS
I DON'T KNOW WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF WE BUMP INTO HIM... DON'T YOU GUYS WANT TO KNOW?
IT'S USELESS EVEN IF YOU DECIDE TO REMAIN SILENT
DO YOU THINK THAT GUY HAS SOME SENSE OF COMRADE-SHIP?

.....
.....
.....
.....
GRABS
WELL THEN,
SHALL WE TRY GOING OUT?
WAIT A-...!!!
I'LL TALK! I'LL TALK!!!

AH... UM...
ER... WHAT WAS THAT AGAIN?
WHERE WOULD THAT GUY BE?
AH!! RIGHT...
NEAR THE TOWER... OR BY THE WALLS, AND... HE SHOULDN'T BE IN THE CLASSROOM RIGHT NOW.
AH... ALSO HIS OWN ROOM.
BUT EVEN WE CAN'T GO NEAR THAT.
I HAVE ANOTHER QUESTION WHAT'S THAT GUY'S OBJECTIVE?
I DON'T KNOW... MAYBE MUKAI-SAN KNOWS
WE'RE JUST GOING IN CIRCLES
YUP.
AH...
SURPRISE
AHHH ...!!!
AREN'T YOU THAT ROKUDOU GUY?!!
NO WAY... WASN'T HE KILLED BY TOMONAGA ...?!
T-THERE'S NO MIS-TAKE!!!
OY!!! YOU'RE REALLY STRONG, RIGHT?! WHY DON'T YOU GO BEAT TOMONAGA?!

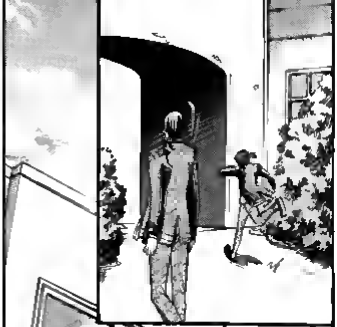
WE CAN'T STAND BEING USED BY THAT GUY ANY-MORE, SO-
...
AH!!! THAT'S RIGHT!!!
THAT'S RIGHT...!!! IF IT'S HIM, HE MIGHT ACTUALLY BE ABLE TO!!
BA-DUM
..YOU GUYS SHOULDN'T GET CARRIED AWAY.
WHAT... THAT'S NOT SOMETHING TO GET ANGRY AT RIGHT...
OKAY
YOU GUYS BE GOOD AND STAY HERE
THEN LET'S GO TO THE TOWER FIRST
ALSO, BE CAREFUL OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS
TAT-SUMI
TAT-SUMI
REALLY... THEY'RE ALL SO SELFISH
YEAH
I WONDER IF NOA AND THE OTHERS ARE ESCORTING MIKOTOGAWA TO SAFETY RIGHT NOW

TATSUMI...
PICK UP YOUR WEAPON!
I GOT IT.
THEN I'LL GO MEET UP WITH NOA AND THE OTHERS-...
ZAA
!!!
WHOOSH
TAT-SUMI ?!!
What's wrong?!

HEY... HEY!!! WHAT'S GOING ON?!
.....
IT'S THAT GUY..
HE SHOULD BE AROUND HERE SOME -WHERE ..
And I just said to be careful.
.....
NODS
IF WE DON'T CATCH TOBARI SOON
PAUSE
HEY..
WHAT SHOULD WE DO NOW...?
?
DASH
AH!!! THEN I'LL SEARCH IN THE DORMS!
EH?! SERIOUS -LY?!
WOOSH
AS EXPECTED OF MINO, SO DEPENDABLE!!! WE'LL LEAVE TATSUMI TO YOU!!!

THAT'S RIGHT... KILL THAT GUY...
IT'LL BE YOUR RESPON-SIBILITY !!!

Tap
Tap



SORRY... I'LL GO SEARCH FOR TOMONAGA FIRST.
I NEED THAT GUY'S HELP FOR SOMETHING.

!!!
FOUND YOU ...!!!
AHH HHH !!!
SFX: PUNCH
YOU ...
WHAT DO YOU WANT ?!
SLAM
OY!!! HURRY UP AND REMOVE THE POWER YOU USED ON TAT-SUMI!!!
I CAN'T ...
I'M ALSO... FIGHTING TO SURVIVE!!!

throb
throb
THE GREAT ME
ONLY BECOMES GREATER WHEN I ENCOUNTER WEAK PEOPLE!!!
THIS PERSON IS SO EVIL!!!
AHH... YOU ALWAYS DID REMIND ME OF A CERTAIN BASTARD WHO'S DEAD NOW
Irate
I REALLY DETEST PEOPLE LIKE YOU !!!
HOW ANNOYING... I SHOULD USE "MANIPULATE" ON THIS GUY ...!!!
BUT I CAN'T..
I CAN'T REMOVE THE "MANIPULATE" ON TATSUMI ...!!!
SFX. Grab
CLENCH
CAUGHT YOU!!!
UHH... THAT HURTS...
YOU BASTARD ...
Waah
Waah

Cough
Ah

...EH?
Falls
EH...?
UH..
I...?!
Thud
Crack
Crack
Crack
WOND-
ERFUL.
TOBARI
-KUN.

DRIP
FWSSH
FWSSH
THAT YOU'RE STILL ALIVE...
...RIGHT?

THAT'S RIGHT...
Shake
Shake
YES...
.....
THEN, I'LL SEE YOU LATER.
KEEP IT UP
TAKE CARE OF THAT GUY, TOO.
AHH.
Y... YES.
I K- KNOW...
THAT'S RIGHT... THIS IS GOOD.
Haa Haa

THERE'S NOTHING TO BE AFRAID OF...
WIPE
...AH...
MY GLASSES ...GOT DIRTY...
BECAUSE, AS LONG AS I FOLLOW TOMONAGA,
WIPE
WIPE
WIPE
I NEED TO CLEAN THEM.
YES YES
I CAN SUR-VIVE ...!!!

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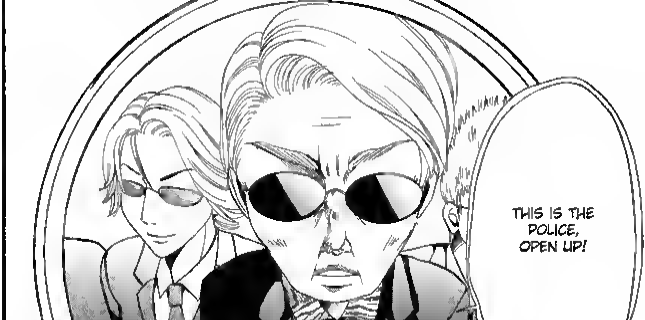

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OH NO
I FORGOT TO BORROW THE NOTES FROM OUR LAST ENGLISH CLASS
I DIDN'T TAKE NOTES FOR THAT SECTION, EITHER
DIDN'T MINO TAKE NOTES?
DRAT. IF WE DON'T COPY IT SOON...
RUN
RUN
RUN
AH, IT'S MINO.
'MORNING, MINO!
IT'S REALLY HIM! 'MORNING!
OY— MINO!
LEND US YOUR ENGLISH NOTES!!
SORRY ...
LET'S TALK LATER !!!

LIM
WE HAVE TO HAND THIS IN TODAY
STEP
STEP
EH?
TAP
TAP
TAP
APPEAR
!!!
...OH MY. WHAT ARE THOSE TWO DOING?
DUNNO

I NEED TO THINK OF SOME WAY TO SPRING A SURPRISE ATTACK ON TATSUMI'S WEAKNESS!
BEEP
Point
THIS IS THE EFFECT OF TOHMI'S CHARAC-TER.
RUN
RUN
THIS IF I KNOCK HIM OUT THE POWER SHOULD CANCEL.
RUN
BEEP
AH!
BEEP
IN THIS CASE
I can only attack his chest! eh?

SKID
TATS-UM!
I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT IN ONE BLOW... PLEASE BE PATIENT...
SWISH
WHOOSH
OY.
TATS-U...
WAIT...
WH-OOSH
SLICE
WOAH !!!
DASH
DASH
THERE'S NO OPPOR-TUNITY AT ALL!
He's using two weapons! Cheater!!!

# Chapter 14: "Katana"

THEN THERE'S NO PROBLEM?
YES I'VE ALREADY HEARD FROM HINATA
THEN WE'LL LEAVE MIKOTO-GAWA-CHAN IN YOUR CARE
UM... DON'T YOU DO ANYTHING WEIRD!
I WON'T.
PLOP.
YOU REALLY WON'T DO ANYTHING WEIRD RIGHT?
HURRY UP AND LEAVE, YOU GUYS.
AH...
WHAT NOW?
WE'LL COME BACK.
OKAY.
THEN PLEASE BE CAREFUL.

...AS WHAT SORT OF PERSON DO THEY SEE ME?
AH I'LL MAKE IT CLEAR NOW
WHEN "ETHER" IS ACTIVATED YOU CAN'T DO ANYTHING AT ALL
PLEASE BEAR WITH IT
OKAY.
BAM
!!!
RUSTLE
THEN
LET'S GO INSIDE——
WHAT'S WRONG!?

DAM-MIT
CAN'T OPEN IT...
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
WHY!?
HEY! MIKOTO-GAHA-SAN!?
THUD
THUD
THUD
KATOU-KUN!?
KA-
"Wall" !?
WHAT SHOULD I DO...

HMM...
I WONDER IF THAT WILL WORK?
IT'LL BE GREAT AS LONG AS EVERYONE IS SAFE
EVEN THOUGH WE SHOULD PREPARE FOR ATTACKS
You don't have to add San!
RIGHT
THEN, FIRST OF ALL, WE'LL MEET WITH EVERYONE AND LAUNCH THE "SURROUND TOMONAGA-SAN" PLAN, RIGHT?
!?
FLAP
WHO IS IT!?
MY NAME IS OSAWA...
CLASS... I DON'T THINK THAT'S NECESSARY, RIGHT?
Osawa Chisato

POINTS
C'MON TAKE OUT YOUR WEAPONS
I WAS TOLD TO BEAT YOU GUYS UP.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!?
YOU GUYS HURT ROKUDOU-KUN FIRST, WHICH IS WHY WE'RE RETALIATING!!!
THAT'S RIGHT !!!
I DON'T KNOW THE REASON
I WAS SIMPLY TOLD TO DO THIS
THAT'S TRUE... WE DON'T KNOW YOUR VIEW, EITHER
HOWEVER, YOU CAN'T JUST...!!!
BY THE WAY IS IT OKAY? TO STAY HERE...

WHILE YOU GUYS ARE DAWDLING HERE YOUR CLASSMATES ARE PROBABLY SUFFERING—
"SUFFERING"!?
WHAT'S GOING ON!?
WON'T YOU KNOW IF YOU GO THERE?
PLEASE EXPLAIN YOURSELF!!
EXACTLY WHAT——…
TAP
OH!
!!!
AIRA-SAN!
HURRY UP AND GO, YOU TWO!!!
LEAVE THIS TO ME——
!!!

TURN
WE'LL BE RIGHT BACK!!!
PLEASE!!! YOU GUYS CONTINUE WITH THE PLAN!!!
AIRA CHAN.
THEN, SHALL WE BEGIN?

ECO-CHAN!!! BE CARE-FUL!!!
RUN
!!!
SAN-JUROU !!!
NOA !?
SHOU-TA!!!
THAT'S HINATA-SAN OVER THERE!!!
AH!!! WAIT!!!
ACTUALLY, MORE IM-PORTANTLY, WE BETTER GO CHECK THE ROOM FIRST!!!
IF WE DON'T FOLLOW THE PLAN...

THEN ACCORDING TO THAT CURLY HAIRED GIRL THEY MIGHT KNOW TOMONAGA'S MOTIVE?
SEEMS SO WITH THAT ATTITUDE
RUN
RUN
...THEN, THOSE GUYS REALLY KNOW SOMETHING...

WHAT'S YOUR PLAN?
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
THERE'S NOTHING ELSE OTHER THAN MAKING THEM COME CLEAN, RIGHT?
HMM
?
CREAK
OP
EN

CLICK
HUH?
LET'S GO
EH?
WE'RE NOT GOING IN?
YEAH LET'S GO IN AND
NO!!!
DON'T ASK ANYTHING AND JUST FOLLOW ME!!!
WHAT'S GOING ON
ENOUGH, LET'S GO!!!
DRIP
SANJU-ROU?
DRIP...

DON
THAT DAMN BAS-TARD !!!
Total Students: 64
Deceased Students: 3
Remaining Students: 61

Bump
WUAH !!!
AH...
HE COULDN'T ESCAPE MY [illegible] RIGHT?
TATSU-MI... WHERE DID HE GO?

HAHA
HAHA
YOU ARE
TO-BARI-KUN
YOU'RE STILL FOLLOWING THAT GUY?
WON'T LET ME?
WHAT CAN SOMEONE USELESS LIKE YOU DO?
I MOVE
I NEED TO TAKE CARE OF TATSUMI
I WON'T LET YOU DO THAT...
I WON'T LET YOU GET TO TATSUMI-KUN!!!!
GRIP
CLENCH

TSUMP
WHAT ...?
MY LEGS WON'T MOVE!?
... WHAT DID YOU DO...
Righteous
TOBARI-KUN...
"PLEASE SIT DOWN."
?

WHAT DID YOU DO TO ME!!?
TOBARI-KUN,
LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING NICE.
IT'S ABOUT MY CHARACTER.
MY CHARAC-TER?
"Righteous"
WAS THE ORIGINAL CHARACTER FOR "Conquer".
"Conquer" AS IN ONE COUNTRY CONQUERING ANOTHER?
YES
A CHARACTER WRITTEN LIKE THIS...
Strokes like this and then
WAS THE MEANING OF "Righteous" IN THE OLDEN DAYS
RUSHING IN, CONQUE-RING, AND DOMINATING OTHERS
"Conqu er"
IT'S GOOD AS LONG AS IT AIDS YOUR IMAGINATI-ON

EVEN IF I STAY HERE, THE "Manipulate" ON TATSUMI WON'T DISAPPEAR!!!
IDIOT...
WHOA!!!
THAT'S WHY—
"FROM NOW ON, PLEASE DON'T USE YOUR CHARACTER, AND STAY IN THIS SPOT,"
"UNTIL TOMONAGA GETS HERE" —OKAY?
WHAT ARE YOU THINK-ING!?
THAT'S INSANE...!!!
THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO PURPOSE IN DOING THIS!!!
TOBARI-KUN
IF YOU DO THIS, YOU'LL DIE TOO!!!
LIKE YOU'VE SAID, I'M CERTAINLY USELESS

ALWAYS WISHING TO BECOME USEFUL TO HIM...
HOWEVER, I COULD NEVER DO THAT.
IT MADE ME MISERABLE.
I HAVE BEEN RELYING ON TATSUMI-KUN TO SURVIVE.
ALWAYS RELYING ON HIM...
THOUGH IT'S ONLY A LITTLE, I CAN FINALLY HELP TATSUMI-KUN
.....
BUT RIGHT NOW, I'M A BIT HAPPY.
LET'S FINISH THIS BATTLE TOGETHER.
TOBARI-KUN

EVEN THOUGH WE'RE SUPPOSED TO FIGHT,
I STILL BELIEVE FOLLOWING THAT GUY'S ORDERS IS WRONG
DO YOU KNOW WHY I WAS CHOSEN TO FIGHT AGAINST YOU?
BECAUSE OF THIS
TIT
"Katana"
THE SAME CHARACTER AS MINE !!!
.....

SOMEBODY WITH THE SAME CHARACTER, RIGHT?
IT SHOULD BE EASY TO FIGHT AGAINST
I BELIEVE THAT A FAIR BATTLE NEEDS A JUDGE...
SO I CAME.
TOMO-NAGA ...!!!

THE RULES ARE SIMPLE
IF YOU SURVIVE, YOU WIN
IF YOU WIN
I'LL GIVE YOU THE RIGHT TO FIGHT AGAINST ME
THIS GUY, DOESN'T PLAN ON LETTING ME LIVE, HUH
SUU
I... WON'T LOSE!!!

READY, GO
HYAAH HHH!!!
SAA

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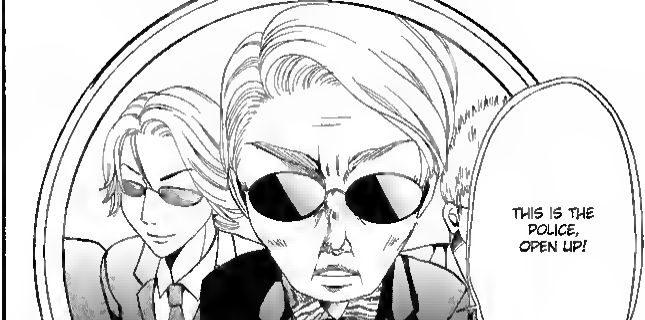

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